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SUBJECT: NEW CZECHOSLOVAK PRESIDENT

1. ON MAY 27 CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY (KSC) CENTRAL COMMITTEE MET IN
PLENARY SESSION TO RECOMMEND CANDIDACY OF KSC GENERAL SECRETARY
GUSTAV HUSAK AS NEW PRESIDENT OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, REPLACING AILING
LUDVIK SVOBODA WHO IS RESIGNING OFFICE. CENTRAL COMMITTEE ASKED
NATIONAL FRONT, COMPRISING KSC PLUS OTHER CS POLITICAL PARTIES,
YOUTH MOVEMENT AND NATIONAL WORKERS UNION, TO ADOPT NOMINATION.
CC ALSO CALLED ON CS FEDERAL ASSEMBLY TO APPROVE CANDIDACY, I.E.,
ELECT HUSAK PRESIDENT ACCORDING TO CSSR CONSTITUTION.

THIS PARTY ACTION ASSURES HUSAK'S ELECTION AS

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PRESIDENT, AND THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE PLENUM STATED EXPLICITLY

THAT HE IS TO RETAIN KSC GENERAL SECRETARYSHIP AS WELL.

2. FEDERAL ASSEMBLY MEETS MAY 28 TO DEAL WITH
RESIGNATION AND NOMINATION. WE UNDERSTAND THAT
FINAL STEPS IN THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROCESS WILL
TAKE PLACE THURSDAY MAY 29. (IN THIS CONNECTION,
EMBASSY ASSUMES DEPARTMENT WILL TRANSMIT CONGRATULATORY
MESSAGE TO NEW PRESIDENT IN THE NEAR FUTURE.)
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